

STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION LANSING



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TO: Local and Intermediate School Superintendents, Public School Academy

Directors, and Nonpublic School Administrators

FROM: Carol Wolenberg, Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT: National School Lunch Program Verification Summary Report

Annually, each Local Educational Agency (LEA) is required to select and verify a sample of its School Year 2006-2007 applications for free and reduced-priced school meal benefits by November 15. The outcomes of these verification activities must be reported to the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) via the web-based Local Educational Agency Review System (LEARS). The LEARS Verification Summary Report is **due March 1, 2007**.

The website login for reporting the results of this process is now open and accessible through the MEIS home page at http://michigan.gov/meis. A reminder e-mail will be sent to the designated contact(s) in your educational agency for whom a Child Nutrition Programs Security Authorization Form was previously submitted to MDE requesting access to the LEARS Verification Summary Report. The Food Service Director designated in your agency's 2007 School Meals Application will also be sent an e-mail notification.

Please check with your staff to make certain that verification has been completed and verification data has been compiled and reported in the LEARS Verification Summary Report by March 1, 2007. If you have additional questions, please refer to the Child Nutrition Programs' School Year 2006-2007 Administrative Policy No. 4 Verification of Eligibility for School Meals at:

http://www.michigan.gov/documents/mde/adm4sy06-07_173902_7.doc, call 517-373-3347, or e-mail MDE-SFAVerificationReport@michigan.gov.

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